

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended): A particulate for an internal combustion engine, comprising a monolithic porous filter body $[(10)]$ having inflow channels $[(12)]$ and outflow channels $[(13)]$, each inflow channel $[(12)]$ crossing at least one outflow channel $[(13)]$ from which it is separated by a filtering wall (~~W1, W2, W3, W4~~),

~~characterized in that~~ wherein

the inflow channels $[(12)]$ open into a setting chamber $[(17)]$ which is an ash chamber for depositing ash.

2. (Currently Amended): The particulate filter of claim 1, wherein each inflow channel $[(12)]$ crosses a plurality of outflow channels $[(13)]$ and each outflow channel crosses a plurality of inflow channels.
3. (Currently Amended): The particulate filter of claim 1 ~~[[or 2]]~~, wherein a plurality of inflow channels $[(12)]$ are arranged adjoining in a first plane and a plurality of outflow channels $[(13)]$ are arranged adjoining in a second plane parallel to the first plane.
4. (Currently Amended): The particulate filter of ~~one of claims 1-3~~ claim 1, wherein the inflow channels $[(12)]$ are tubes that pass through chambers (~~28, 29~~) without their walls contacting each other, said chambers forming the outflow channels $[(13)]$.
5. (Currently Amended): The particulate filter of ~~one of claims 1-4~~ claim 1, wherein the outflow channels $[(13)]$ are tubes that pass through chambers without their walls contacting each other, said chambers forming the inflow channels $[(12)]$.

6. (Currently Amended): The particulate filter of ~~one of claims 1-5~~
claim 1, wherein the settling chamber $[(17)]$ has a flap for removing
the ash $[(18)]$ therefrom.